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***EX PARTE***

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Room TW B-204  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of Petition of Qwest Corporation for Forbearance  
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Omaha Metropolitan  
Statistical Area – WC Docket No. 04-223*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 18, 2005, Cronan O'Connell, in person, and Robert McKenna, Michael Adams, John Kure, and Molly Martin via Teleconference, all of Qwest Communications, met with the Wireline Competition Bureau including Julie Veach, Jeremy Miller, Tim Stelzig and Erin Boone of the Policy Division, and Tamara Preiss, Judith Nitsche, and Jay Atkinson of the Tariff Division. In particular, Qwest discussed its request for nondominant treatment of interstate telecommunications services and how, if granted, Qwest would have the same flexible tariffing rules as CLECs. Staff also asked Qwest a number of questions regarding practical application of implementing nondominant status as it related to Sections of Part 61, Part 64, and Part 69 of the FCC's Code of Federal Regulations. Qwest stated that it would respond to the questions with a summary of how these rules may or may not apply if our grant of nondominant status were granted.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Cronan O'Connell

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